

Minnesota State University Moorhead

PARA 350: Contract Law and Drafting

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 3

Lecture Hours/Week: 3

Lab Hours/Week: 0

OJT Hours/Week: *.*

Prerequisites:

This course requires the following prerequisite
PARA 251 - Legal Research and Writing

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

A study of the law of contracts, including elements of formation, duties of parties to contracts, discharge of parties to a contract and enforcement of contracts, including the ability to perform legal research relevant to contract law, perform critical analysis of various contract issues, negotiation of contract terms, and the ability to draft various components of contracts as they relate to industry, consumer relationships, and daily living.

B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES: 09/23/2016 - Present

C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

1. Common industry contract clauses and forms
2. Discharge of a contract
3. Drafting Contract Language
4. Duties of parties to a contract
5. Elements of contract formation, including problems in formation
6. Enforcement of a contract and remedies
7. Foundation of the Contract
8. Particular types of contracts, including contracts of adhesion, sales, and agency
9. Reviewing Contract language and negotiation
10. The Uniform Commercial Code applied to contracts
11. Trademark and Copyright law applied to contracts

D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. To develop skills in the preparation of contract clauses with emphasis on specific clauses that are related to specific types of contracts, including sales, agency, and personal performance.
2. To learn the concepts and laws regarding formation and enforcement of a contract.
3. To introduce the students to the concept of various types of contracts including express and implied contracts.
4. To learn the types of standard clauses and provisions found in various types of contracts.
5. To learn the basics of contract law including foundations, formation, and enforcement.

E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted